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Sir:

The following proposed amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the final Office Action dated October 11, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.